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FREE-HITTERS AND CHOKERS.

This world is divided between free-hitters and bat-chokers, but to understand the simile you must be a fan, or at least have the confidence of a fan who will lead you through the door of wisdom. The free-hitter, be it known, is the batsman of the supercilious eye who begins his swing away back over his shoulder, brings it round like a yacht's boom glibly in a strong wind and drives the ball over the left field fence or—misses it. He is the producer of home runs and three-baggers and is the recipient of adulation and automobiles. He is Speaker and Jackson and Doyle and the world-famous Casey. The bat-choker is different, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. He is the man who slides his hand well down onto the swell of the bat, where, with a longer leverage, he can make a quick jab at the speeding sphere. He is content if he scratches a sacrifice or beats a bunt down to first. Nobody loves him, but he wins many a ball game, though even in the midst of victory he feels that the manager has the toboggan under him and is only waiting for a bonehead play to touch the trigger and send him to the minor league. The free-hitter also reaches the minors in due time, but he does so with head erect and chest expanded, for the free-hitter is such by nature and no reverse can quell him. Once a free-hitter always one.

Will the apple ever again become an article of common consumption? Or will it remain in the luxury list, somewhere, say, between truffles and bacon? There have been no eating apples within the range of any but the fattest pocketbook for many seasons, while the character of the pie apple is such as to require uncommon aptitude for the composition of the crust to make a pie fit to eat; or else the cost of the filling has required that the pie must be nearly all crust. A big crop is now in prospect and new orchards are coming to fruitage every season; such is the temptation of the soaring quotations, says the Providence Journal. At this juncture one of the orators at an apple growers' convention has the nerve to propose an advertising campaign, lest there be overproduction. Does not this proposal mean that the growers are determined to maintain prices as the supply increases? Something is said about instructing women in the theory that eating apples beautifies the complexion. That ought to create a market, to be sure. But there need be no fear of lack of demand. Apples will need no advertising if the price is right. And any artifice calculated to maintain high prices should be frowned upon by the hard-pressed consumer.

Recent investigations into the hours of work by officials of the French department of navigation have brought to light a record in government employment in the shape of an official whose daily "hours of duty" amount to exactly two minutes. This man dwells at a place on the Belgian frontier, and his arduous labors consist in fetching from one office a list of the number of barges that have entered French territory the previous twenty-four hours and handing the said list in at another office. If the position be a sinecure, the pay is not high, the remuneration amounting a \$1.40 a month.

A Connecticut man makes the announcement that he has been living for some time on 25 cents a week. He admits, however, that he has not been unlucky enough to have any tire punctures.

The mouse, says a scientist, possesses more energy than a human being. He is wrong. Did he never observe the activity displayed by a normal woman in escaping a mouse?

A steamer has just arrived in San Francisco whose docking should send a thrill through the fashionable feminine world. Its cargo is \$1,000,000 worth of sealskins.

Excessive reading has the same effect as the opium habit, says a famous scientist. Must refer to campaign dope.

Still, the person who prophesied that war would be abolished because it would become too deadly might have had the aeroplane in mind.

The banana crop is reported a failure but one can slip about as far on peel from a poor banana as a good one.

It is now announced that sneezing spreads the measles. Which, apparently, is not a theory to be sneezed at.

The chief ingredient in Holland patented rubber is sea fish. Pretty fishy, at that.

FLEEING FROM CONSTANTINOPLE IN PANIC



PANIC-STRICKEN inhabitants of Constantinople with their household effects before the great mosque of Sultan Suleimanieh, ready to flee from the city at the approach of the Balkan armies.

TAKES BLAME FOR WRECK

BRAKEMAN FAILED TO CLOSE OPEN SWITCH.

C. H. & D. Passenger Train Crashes Into Standing Freight Near Indianapolis.—15 Are Dead.

Indianapolis, Indiana.—"I and some others are to blame," said Carl Gross, head brakeman of a Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton freight train, referring to the collision in which 15 persons were killed. Continuing, he said: "I left the switch open and expected one of the other brakemen to close it. The switch was not closed. The wreck occurred, and I am to blame." He did not mention any names.

Fifteen persons were killed and 15 seriously injured when the passenger train ran into an open switch and crashed into a freight train at Arlington avenue, Irvington, a suburb.

The train was coming from Cincinnati and was running 40 miles an hour.

The wreck caught fire, but the flames soon were put out. Most of the dead were found in the wreckage of the first car, which telescoped the baggage car.

Firemen and police worked at the wreck two hours before the first body was found. Holes were chopped in the tops of cars and the injured supplied with water, for which they were crying.

The crash aroused the neighborhood. Many homes were thrown open and the injured carried in and given aid before being sent to the hospital. Physicians and the firemen in Irvington were called.

Of the Chaney family of six of Jackson, Ky., which was on the train, only one is alive, and he, Clifton Chaney, is badly injured. His father, wife and three children were among the killed. They were on their way to Wisconsin.

MAY POSTPONE DARROW CASE

Chief Counsel for Accused Is Ill in Sanitarium and Prosecutor Willing to Delay.

Los Angeles, California.—Another postponement of the Darrow trial on charge of bribing Juror Robert Bain seems probable. The case is set for November 25, but Earl Rogers, Darrow's chief counsel, is in a sanitarium recovering his health, and District Attorney Fredericks is reported to be willing to postpone the case.

It is reported that Darrow is financially embarrassed as the result of the enormous expenses of his first trial, and that he will be forced to do most of his own court work when the second trial starts.

Suffrage Easily Carried in Kansas.

Topeka, Kan.—The indications are that about 250,000 Kansans voted on woman's suffrage. More than 300,000 votes were cast in the election. The suffrage headquarters assert the amendment carried by from 10,000 to 12,000 plurality.

Taft Vote Leads in Idaho.

Boise, Idaho.—President Taft swung into the lead by a small margin in the presidential race in Idaho. Wilson is running close and it will be impossible to say who has carried the state until the official count has been completed.

Censor on Women's Dress.

Cincinnati, O.—The establishment of a government bureau to act as censor of women's clothes was advocated in an address by Mrs. John C. Bessler of Decatur, Ill.

AVIATOR TRAPS TURK ARMY

12,000 ANNIHILATED WHEN POSITION IS LEARNED.

Victims Are Sent Away Without Food and Infected Troops Are Being Transported.

Paris, France.—The Russian aviator Effimoff, serving with the Bulgarian army, brought about the annihilation of 12,000 Turkish soldiers in the advance on Adrianople, according to a letter written by him and printed in Excelsior.

The Bulgarians believed they were on safe ground, Effimoff wrote to his brother here, when he was ordered to make an aerial scouting trip.

He discovered a Turkish force afterwards estimated at 12,000 men, making a detour through a valley. He immediately returned to the Bulgarian camp, made a report and the Bulgars precipitated a battle that exterminated the enemy.

London, Eng.—Either for military reasons or on account of cholera, which is spreading rapidly at Hademkeul, the government is prepared to make large concessions in order to prevent the Balkan armies from entering Constantinople.

An uncensored dispatch, dated November 12, from Constantinople, says the cholera is extending alarmingly among the troops. The cases are reckoned by the hundreds, while among the refugees there are even more victims.

MOB SHOTS NEGRO TOPIECES

More Than 100 Guns Emptied at Black Who Killed Georgia Girl and Her Defender.

Ocala, Fla.—Preece Nells, the negro arrested for double murder at McIntosh, Fla., was lynched by a mob at Ocala.

The negro was taken two miles north of Ocala, turned loose and told to run. As he fled, bullets from more than 100 guns were discharged into his body, shooting him to pieces.

Nells was charged with killing Miss Mary Stevenson, 18 years old, and J. B. Berges, 80, near Gainesville.

Berges was killed when he attempted to save Miss Stevenson from her assailant, and then her throat was cut.

SAFE ROBBERS GET \$35,000

Wells-Fargo Agent at Lake Charles, La., Is Charged With Having Committed Theft.

Lake Charles, La.—The offices of the Wells Fargo Express company were robbed here. A safe was opened and a large amount of money is said to be missing. Thornton Chevis, 23, the agent here, was arrested, charged with having committed the robbery, but he declares his innocence.

Officials of the express company refuse to make a statement regarding the amount of money that may have been taken, but estimates run as high as \$35,000.

Larz Anderson to Japan.

Washington, O.—Larz Anderson of Washington, now minister to Belgium, has been named ambassador to Japan to succeed Charles Page Bryan, whose resignation was announced a few days ago.

Former Iowa Governor Dying.

Clermont, Ia.—Former Governor William Larrabee is gradually approaching death, according to the attending physicians. He is unconscious. All of the members of the family are at the home.

ASKS TO END HOSTILITIES

PORTE ASKS BULGARIA TO GRANT ARMISTICE.

Towers Inform Turkey's Ruler Allies Are Willing to Hear Peace Proposals.

Constantinople.—There is a report in circulation to the effect that the Porte has asked Bulgaria to grant an armistice. The report has not been confirmed as yet.

It is rumored that a Bulgarian emissary is here and that he visited Grand Vizier Kiamilli Pasha privately. It is stated the powers have informed the Porte that the allies are willing to hear Turkey's suggestion in regard to a basis for peace.

It is doubted if the Porte will respond to this. It is said the reply will be that, as the allies initiated war, evidently with definite aims, they ought to be the first to say what they will demand. It is stated, further, that Great Britain has asked the allies what is their conception of the terms of peace, but has not obtained a definite reply, and, as the other powers did not support this action, Great Britain could not do more.

Everybody in Constantinople is awaiting the news regarding the fighting at Tchataldja lines. The suspense is acute. It is asserted skirmishing between advance patrols has been in progress for several days. The enemy is now steadily approaching the north end of the lines. The main body of the enemy is advancing along the railway, and it was believed two days ago the enemy was fifteen miles west of the town of Tchataldja. It is expected the attack will begin on the guns of the warships in Chekmedje gulf.

Eighteen new cases of cholera and three deaths were officially reported.

There are rumors that the arrest of the Young Turk leaders is imminent. Mukhtar Pasha, who came here to ask for reinforcements, has returned to Tchataldja.

FIGHT ON GOMPERS FAILURE

President of Federation Will Be Re-elected, Despite the Opposition of Socialist Delegates.

Rochester, N. Y.—Samuel Gompers will be re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor. In addition, he will carry into office along with him most of the present officers of that body. If a fight is made against Gompers by the Socialists, as is threatened, Gompers will defeat the candidate selected to oppose him by more than 100 votes. It seemed likely that the candidate of the Socialists would be Duncan MacDonald of the United Mine Workers.

There will be a fight over several of the offices. Brays defeated Lennon as the delegate of the journeymen tailors. Lennon is a delegate of the Trades and Labor assembly of Bloomington, Ill.

William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, will oppose James O'Connell for re-election as their vice-president.

WILSON FREED OF PERJURY

Illinois Representative Connected With Lorimer-Brown Tangle Not to Be Tried.

Chicago, Ill.—The charge of perjury against State Representative Robert E. Wilson, growing out of his testimony in the trial of Lee O'Neill Browne following the charge of bribery in the election of William Lorimer as senator was dismissed on the motion of the district attorney.

Wilson was alleged to have given money in the bath room of a St. Louis hotel to four representatives for their votes in the Lorimer election. At the Browne trial he testified that this was not true.

The dismissal came because Michael Link, one of the legislators who said he had received money, is dead, and Charles A. White, who corroborated the story, can not be found.

THREE DEER HUNTERS SLAIN

Opening Day of Minnesota Hunting Season Proves Profitable to Undertakers.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Three hunters are dead and one injured in the Minnesota woods at the beginning of the second day of the deer hunting season. The dead: Joseph Kuski, killed north of Virginia; John W. Nelson, killed near Mountain Iron; John Wirolorini, killed in the Knife river valley. Sixteen thousand licenses to hunt in Minnesota were printed and sent out prior to the opening of the big game season, November 10, but the demand is so great that 5,000 more are being distributed.

Bull Dog Bites Off Woman's Nose.

Lincoln, Ill.—A vicious bull dog bit off the end of Mrs. Mary Bertsche's nose and physicians are wondering whether it will be possible to restore the missing member by skin grafting.

Bureau to Regulate Dress Styles.

Cincinnati, O.—Mrs. John C. Bessler of Decatur, Ill., wants a federal bureau to regulate fashions. It is time we called a halt on the wearing of boudoir garments on the street, she said.

Successor to Canalejas.

Madrid.—Count Romanones was appointed premier of Spain, succeeding the late Jose Canalejas, assassinated Tuesday. The count is a Liberal who has not been prominent in political life.

RUSSO-CHINESE WAR IS LIKELY

RECOGNITION OF MONGOLIA INDEPENDENCE BY CZAR IS RED RAG TO LI HUNG.

YUAN OPPOSES HOSTILITIES

Vice President and President Are Pitted Against Each Other—United States Scored for Indifference.

Shanghai, China.—War between China and the czar is considered a serious possibility here. President Yuan Shi Kai opposes it, but messages from Wu Chang said that Vice President Li Hung, who is as strong and influential a man as Yuan, was insisting on it.

Backing Li in his demand are the provisional governors, almost to a man the army, the cabinet and the national assembly. If the president resists this united pressure, it was thought extremely likely his government will fall.

The Russo-Chinese dispute is over Mongolia, a territory nearly one-third the size of Europe. Certain of the Mongolian princes recently declared their independence. Russia recognized it. The Chinese asserted that but a few men were behind the declaration, and that Russia hired them to issue it, meaning really to grab the entire territory. It is not denied that Russian troops have been occupying strategic points ever since.

Much resentment was expressed by Chinese here at the attitude of the Powers, which by their delay in recognizing the new republic, were declared to have made it easy for predatory nations—Russia and England were especially referred to—to harass the country in a manner which would be impossible had recognition rendered diplomatic exchanges necessary preliminaries to military action.

Well informed Chinese said they were surprised that, after all its professions of interest in the preservation of China's integrity, the United States should look on indifferently at an attempted dismemberment of the country.

Preacher Dunn Sent to Jail.

Evansville, Ind.—The Rev. William F. Dunn of Granite City, Ill., who eloped here several weeks ago with his pretty 18-year-old organist, Miss Estelle Masser, was arraigned before Judge Philip Gould on the charge of immoral conduct. He was fined \$200 and costs and sentenced to the county jail for three months.

Navy to Abolish the Jersey.

Washington, D. C.—The Jersey, long a popular adjunct in the outfit of enlisted men in the navy, will be abolished July 1 and will be superseded by the blue flannel shirt. Owing to its thickness it was found difficult to wash the jersey and dry it, whereas the laundering of the flannel shirt is comparatively easy.

Fisheries Treaty is Ratified.

Washington.—The North Atlantic fisheries treaty between Great Britain and the United States formally was ratified by Secretary of State Knox and Ambassador Bryce of Great Britain. The preliminary agreement for the treaty was signed July 7.

New Treaty With Russia.

Washington.—The commercial treaty of 1832 made by the United States and Russia expires December 31 next and, according to information from high official circles, a new agreement has been nearly concluded.

Condition of Governor-Elect Grave.

Wheeling, W. Va.—The condition of Governor-elect Dr. H. D. Hatfield, Ill with pneumonia, at his home at Echman, admittedly is grave, but there remains a chance for his recovery, physicians say.

Gen. Lea's Estate Only \$4,000.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Gen. Homer Lea, whose services as adviser to Dr. Sun Yat Sen, leader of the Chinese revolution, made him an international figure, left an estate valued at only \$4,000.

Mexican Federals Ambushed.

Mexico City.—One hundred federals on their way from Puebla to the relief of Tepic, 30 miles to the south, were ambushed at Barranca Honda by Zapatistas, who killed 12 of them.

Doctor Burned in Barn.

Sterling, Ill.—Dr. W. O. Beam of Moline, Ill., was burned to death while asleep in a barn on the Rollo White-star farm, 25 miles southwest of this city.

Longworth Beaten by 97 Votes.

Cincinnati, O.—The official count of Hamilton county shows that Congressman Nicholas Longworth, son-in-law of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, was defeated for congress by Stanley Bowditch, Democrat, by 97 votes.

Indian Woman Asks Divorce.

Meeker, Colo.—The first plea for divorce by an Indian woman in the history of Colorado was filed by Kahlah, for 20 years the squaw of Concanino, a rancher. Of their several papposes, she asked the custody of two.

To Women Do Not Delay

If you are convinced that your sickness is because of some derangement or disease distinctly feminine, you ought at once bring to your aid

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

It acts directly on the organs affected and tones the entire system.

Ask Your Druggist

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We have noticed that the men who die for women nearly always do so at the hands of an injured husband.

Regular practicing physicians recommend and prescribe OXIDINE for Malaria, because it is a proven remedy by years of experience. Keep a bottle in the medicine chest and administer at first sign of Chills and Fever. Adv.

Of Course.

"Women always succeed in civic affairs when they organize a broom brigade."

"Naturally, they make a clean sweep."

After Dinner Joke.

In the great Pecos valley apple country of New Mexico the latest arrival is always asked:

"What is worse than biting into an apple and finding a worm?"

He is stumped. They tell him "Finding half a worm."

His Suspicion Aroused.

Lecturer—All statistics prove that the blonde woman is more difficult to get along with than the brunette.

Astonished Man in the Audience (starting up)—Are you certain of the fact?

Lecturer—It is a fact.

Astonished Man—Then I believe my wife's black hair is dyed.

WISE FATHER.



Alisa—What did papa say when you asked him for my hand?

Alfred—He said he guessed I'd find it in the pocket he carried his money in.

SCOFFERS

Often Make the Staunchest Converts.

The man who scoffs at an idea or doctrine which he does not fully understand has at least the courage to show where he stands.

The gospel of Health has many converts who formerly laughed at the idea that coffee and tea, for example, ever hurt anyone. Upon looking into the matter seriously, often at the suggestion of a friend, such persons have found that Postum and a friend's advice have been their salvation.

"My sister was employed in an eastern city where she had to do calculating," writes an Okla. girl. "She suffered with headache until she was almost unfitted for duty."

"Her landlady persuaded her to quit coffee and use Postum and in a few days she was entirely free from headache." (Tea is just as injurious as coffee because it contains caffeine, the same drug found in coffee.) "She told her employer about it, and on trying it, he had the same experience."

"My father and I have both suffered much from nervous headache since I can remember, but we scoffed at the idea advanced by my sister, that coffee was the cause of our trouble."

"However, we finally quit coffee and began using Postum. Father has had but one headache now in four years, due to a severe cold, and I have lost my headaches and sour stomach, which I am now convinced came from coffee."

"A cup of good, hot Postum is satisfying to me when I do not care to eat a meal. Circumstances caused me to locate in a new country and I feared I would not be able to get my favorite drink, Postum, but I was relieved to find that a full supply is kept here with a heavy demand for it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Read "The Road to Wellville," in page. "There's a reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest. Adv.